

THE INVENTOR CLAIMS:

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C5-1001 1. Removably attachable shielding to protect vehicle side surfaces and doors to prevent dents and scratches imposed by doors of adjacent vehicles, said shielding comprising:

2 4 two shield pads of impact absorbing material,

6 at least one suction cup on each of said shield pads for removable attachment of the shield pad on a vehicle,

12 at least one strap secured to a lateral edge portion of each of said shield pads to connect them together,

an elastic strap having an end thereof secured to an edge portion of a first one of the shield pads, and

fastener means for detachably securing a second end portion of the elastic strap to a second one of the shield pads,

14 whereby the protective shields are removably attachable to vehicle sides and doors, and the shield pads are relatively easy to handle, roll up together, and store.

2. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein said two shield pads are sized and configured to cover principal areas of a vehicle's side surfaces and doors.

2. 3. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein two spaced-apart straps extend between and are secured to lateral edge portions of the two shield pads.

4. 4. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein two spaced-apart suction cups are provided on each of the shield pads for attachment to the vehicle.

5. 5. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein:

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cooperating male and female snap fastener components are mounted, one on an end portion of the elastic strap and the other on an edge portion of one of the shield pads for securement of the shield pads together when rolled up together.

2 6. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein two spaced-apart straps are secured to an edge portion of each of the shield pads by riveting.

2 7. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein said elastic
4 strap is attached to a central edge portion of one of the shield
pads and is detachably securable to a central edge portion of the
other shield pad by one of (a) snap fasteners, (b) *Velcro*
attachment.

2 8. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein said impact-
absorbing material comprises one of (a) a blend of neoprene rubber,
(b) ethylene propylene, (c) styrene butatene rubber.

3 9. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein a *preferred*
material for the shield pads is ethylene vinyl acetate.

10. Shielding according to Claim 1, wherein said shield
pads and suction cups are adapted and arranged for attachment to an
interior surface of a vehicle windshield to serve as a sunshade.

11. Removably attachable shielding to protect vehicle side
2 surfaces and doors to prevent dents and scratches imposed by doors
of adjacent vehicles, said shielding comprising:

4 two shield pads of impact-absorbing material,

6 at least one suction cup on each of said shield pads for
removable attachment of the shield pad on a vehicle,

8 two spaced-apart straps extending between and secured by
lateral edge portions of the two shield pads,

10 an elastic strap having an end thereof secured to an edge
portion of a first one of the shield pads, and

12 fastener means for detachably securing a second end portion
of the elastic strap to a second one of the shield pads,

14 whereby the protective shields are removably attachable to
vehicle sides and doors, and the shield pads are relatively easy to
handle, roll up together, and store.

12. Shielding according to Claim 11, wherein two spaced-

2 apart suction cups are provided on each of the shield pads for
attachment to the vehicle.

13. Shielding according to Claim 11, wherein:

2 cooperating male and female snap fastener components are
mounted, one on an end portion of the elastic strap and the other
4 on an edge portion of one of the shield pads for securement of the
shield pads together when rolled up together.

14. Shielding according to Claim 11, wherein two
spaced-apart straps are secured to an edge portion of each of the
shield pads by riveting.

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A1 15. Shielding according to Claim 11, wherein said elastic
2 strap is attached to a central edge portion of one of the shield
pads and is detachably securable to a central edge portion of the
4 other shield pad by one of (a) snap fasteners, (b) *Velcro*
attachment.

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16. Shielding according to Claim 11, wherein said impact-absorbing material comprises one of (a) a blend of neoprene rubber, (b) ethylene propylene, (c) styrene butatene rubber.

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Sub A 17. Shielding according to Claim 11, wherein a preferred material for the shield pads is ethylene vinyl acetate.

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Sub C 18. Shielding according to Claim 11, wherein said shield pads and suction cups are adapted and arranged for attachment to an interior surface of a vehicle windshield to serve as a sunshade.

19. Removably attachable shielding to protect vehicle side
2 surfaces and doors to prevent dents and scratches imposed by doors
of adjacent vehicles, said shielding comprising:

4 two shield pads of impact-absorbing material,

6 at least one suction cup on each of said shield pads for
removable attachment of the shield pad on a vehicle,

8 at least one strap secured to a lateral edge portion of
each of said shield pads to connect them together,

10 an elastic strap having an end thereof secured to an edge
portion of a first one of the shield pads, said elastic strap being
12 attached to a central edge portion of one of the shield pads and
detachably securable to a central edge portion of the other shield
pad by one of (a) snap fasteners, (b) Velcro attachment, and

14 fastener means for detachably securing a second end portion
of the elastic strap to a second one of the shield pads,

16 whereby the protective shields are removably attachable to
18 vehicle sides and doors, and the shield pads are relatively easy to
handle, roll up together, and store.

20. Shielding according to Claim 19, wherein said impact-absorbing material comprises one of (a) a blend of neoprene rubber, (b) ethylene propylene, (c) styrene butatene rubber.

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21. Shielding according to Claim 19, wherein a preferred material for the shield pads is ethylene vinyl acetate.

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22. Shielding according to Claim 19, wherein said elastic strap is attached to a central edge portion of one of the shield pads and is detachably securable to a central edge portion of the other shield pad by one of (a) snap fasteners, (b) Velcro attachment.

23. Shielding according to Claim 19, wherein said impact-absorbing material comprises one of (a) a blend of neoprene rubber, (b) ethylene propylene, (c) styrene butatene rubber.

24. Shielding according to Claim 19, wherein a preferred material for the shield pads is ethylene vinyl acetate.